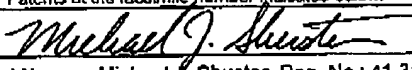


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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 15, 2005 ("Office Action") received in the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the accompanying remarks. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks for the purpose of putting the application in condition for allowance, subject to any potential rejection of claims in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,955,887 to Adler *et al.*

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